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Senate Bill 518

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By: Senators Mullis of the 53rd, Rogers of the 21st, Shafer of the 48th, Hawkins of the 49th, Staton of the 18th and others

AS PASSED

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT

- 1 To amend Part 2 of Article 6 of Chapter 2 of Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia
- 2 Annotated, relating to competencies and core curriculum, so as to require a study of the
- 3 pledge of allegiance to the flag of the United States and the Georgia flag as a part of the
- 4 required studies regarding American institutions and ideals; to provide for related matters;
- 5 to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

7 SECTION 1.

- 8 Part 2 of Article 6 of Chapter 2 of Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated,
- 9 relating to competencies and core curriculum, is amended by revising paragraph (1) of
- subsection (a) of Code Section 20-2-142, relating to prescribed courses, as follows:
- 11 "(a)(1) All elementary and secondary schools which receive in any manner funds from
- the state shall provide the following course offerings in the manner and at the grade level
- prescribed by the State Board of Education in its quality core curriculum:
- 14 (A) A course of study in the background, history, and development of the federal and
- state governments and a study of Georgia county and municipal governments; and
- 16 (B) A course of study in the history of the United States and in the history of Georgia
- and in the essentials of the United States and Georgia Constitutions, including the study
- of American institutions and ideals which shall include a study of the Pledge of
- Allegiance to the flag of the United States and the Georgia flag in addition to other
- 20 institutions and ideals."
- SECTION 2.
- 22 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.